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# Memorandum

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FROM : [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: DCI Letters of Invitation to University Presidents

REF: DCD-1478/78, dated 27 December 1978

1. On 4 January 1979, I presented Mr. Frank Newman, President, University of Rhode Island (URI), Kingston, Rhode Island, with the DCI's letter inviting him to attend a day-long meeting at Agency headquarters on 15 February 1979. Mr. Newman appeared very pleased that he was invited to meet with the DCI. Upon checking his schedule, he was reminded that, unfortunately, he had promised an old friend he would deliver a speech at his institute on that date. Mr. Newman said he would be receptive to meeting with the DCI if some alternative day can be arranged. He will write to the DCI and mention this fact to him.

2. Mr. Newman mentioned in passing that, "you know he (the DCI) was at the War College in Newport". He then said "Rhode Island has always liked the Admiral". He further asked if I had encountered any problems at URI to which I responded that I had not.

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*on Univ. Presidents*  
*visit attendees -*  
*15 February 1979*  
  
Date *12/15/78*

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The Director  
Central Intelligence Agency



Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear ~~President~~ *Hanna* Gray:

*own good discussion in your office at Yale, I've been working gradually to reopen the*

Since its inception, the Central Intelligence Agency has sought to maintain effective relationships with scholars and academic institutions throughout the United States. These relationships have been of inestimable value to the intelligence community and ultimately, to the foreign policymakers it serves.

In the wake of considerable public criticism over the last several years, however, the Agency has had difficulty in maintaining these open and mutually beneficial relationships. I would like to ask your help and advice in determining how best to restore a useful but proper connection between academia and the world of intelligence.

Clearly there are limits beyond which we in the intelligence profession should not go in dealing with members of the academic community. I do have very express rules with respect to that today, but how we are operating within these rules is not always clear to others. Today there are also many new opportunities to use unclassified information derived through the collection of intelligence for the benefit of academic research. I do not believe that we have the proper mechanism today to ensure the adequate provisions of such information to academic institutions.

*I furtherance this*

Accordingly, I would like to ask you to join with me and several other university presidents and leaders of the American academic community on 15 February 1979 for a day here at the Central Intelligence Agency. The objective would be to have a free-flowing exchange of ideas on how to reestablish the academic-intelligence relationship on a sound and proper basis for mutual advantage. This will be a quiet, private meeting of ten or perhaps twelve of us, during which we will take the opportunity of asking you to visit our CIA facilities and to meet with a variety of Agency officers representing diverse interests and disciplines. My hope would be that in your spending a day with us, our relationship might improve to our mutual benefit, taking into full account the problems of the past and the attitudes of the present.

*and it would be  
great to see you again.*

I would be most grateful if you could take the time to do this. I have asked Malcolm Rose of my Academic Relations Staff to be available to discuss ~~my invitation~~ further with you, and to make arrangements, if as I hope, you will be able to accept.

*this* *All the best for wishes for the Holiday Season*  
Yours sincerely,

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